

REMARKS

Claims 58 – 72 and 90 – 96 are pending in the application. Claims 1 – 57, 73 – 89 and 97 – 99 have been cancelled.

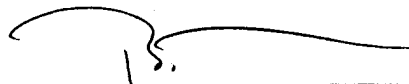
Claims 58 – 72 and 90 – 96 were allowed. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's consideration of these claims.

Claims 49, 51, 55, 57, 73, 74, 76, 80 – 83, 85 and 97 – 99 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). Claims 50, 52 – 54, 56, 75, 77 – 79, 84, and 86 – 89 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). In view of the cancellation of these claims, these rejections are moot.

Applicant submits the application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is requested.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/6000-04802/BNK.

Respectfully submitted,



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